

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant(s): Andreas LENDLEIN *et al.*
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Title: BIODEGRADABLE STENTS
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Docket No.: 26538-0014
Customer No.: **24633**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Response and Amendment to Previous Final Rejection and Request for Continued Examination in response to the Office Action mailed June 23, 2009, in the above-identified application.

Applicants petition for an extension of time, the fees for which are set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

<u>Total Months Requested</u>	<u>Fee for Extension</u>	<u>Fee for Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 130.00	\$ 65.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two month	\$ 490.00	\$ 245.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three month	\$ 1,110.00	\$ 555.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four month	\$ 1,730.00	\$ 865.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five month	\$ 2,350.00	\$1,175.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: **\$ 1,110.00**

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefore.

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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	13	MINUS	20	= 0	x 52/26 =	\$ 0.00
INDEP.	1	MINUS	3	= 0	X 220/110 =	\$ 0.00
Third Month Extension of Time						\$ 1,110.00
Request for Continued Examination Fee						\$ 810.00
						Sub-Total \$ 1,920.00
						Reduce by ½ for Small Entity \$ 0.00
						TOTAL \$ 1,920.00

- No additional fee is required.
- A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.
- Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-1349 the amount of **\$1,920.00**.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1349.
- Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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